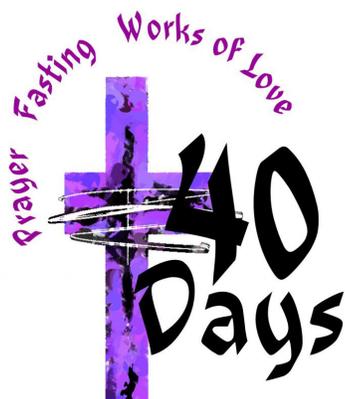


# Fourth Sunday of Lent

## Bulletin for March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019



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## MASS SCHEDULES

### SUNDAY MASSES

#### Our Lady of the Mountains

Saturday at 5:00 pm

Sunday at 9:00 am

#### St. Christopher's

Sunday at 11:00 am

#### St. Francis of Assisi

Sunday at 12:30 pm

### WEEKDAY MASSES

(April 1<sup>st</sup> to April 5<sup>th</sup>)

#### Our Lady of the Mountains

Tuesday, NO MASS

Wednesday, Apr 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 pm

Friday, Apr 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:45 pm

#### St. Christopher's

Thursday, Apr 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

#### St. Francis of Assisi

Friday, Apr 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Before and after daily Mass.

Also, at Our Lady of the Mountains,

Saturdays at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm,

Sundays at 8:00 am to 8:45 am

or by appointment by calling

**Fr. Dale at 604-938-6643**

### The Stations of the Cross

Every Friday

St. Francis of Assisi 9:30 am

Our Lady of the Mountains 7:00 pm

## Scripture Reflection

*"he was lost and has been found"*

The parable we hear in the Gospel of St. Luke is one of the most memorable and popular in Sacred Scripture. It is the parable of the Prodigal Son.

However, hearing and reading the passage many times, the extravagant, lavishly loving and forgiving father of two sons, still strikes me profoundly. It is how he treats them, and how he regards them individually and uniquely, that is still so beautifully striking and wise.

The father respects their decisions and is accommodating to their choices, even if he doesn't agree with them. The father invites and even pleads with them, but he always respects their free will.

God, the Father, certainly does this with us; however, He wants to bestow His love and grace on us lavishly and abundantly. He can't do this if we continue to live a life that consists of bad, sinful choices, unless we turn back to Him with humble repentance and conversion.

We are not earning His love as such, He bestows it freely, but are we capable, willing and prepared to receive it, as He wants to bestow it? Do we truly allow Him to be God and Father and us creature and child? After all, it is the true, humble and honest order of Creation. Then, like the Jews, He can remove our reproach.

You may ask what that means for me, individually and communally. How do I regard people who are different than me? Do I shun or label them? How is my relationship with my parents and siblings? Did I notice how the father dealt with each son? How willing am I to plead with someone over some moral or spiritual issue that affects them personally or communally? The father witnesses this to his sons. Do we have that self-giving and self-sacrificing love towards our brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus? So, at this midpoint of Lent, could we imitate Our Father in His extravagant ways of loving and forgiving others of the household of faith?

### Women's Faith Study Tuesdays at 8:00 pm

Please join us for a short 5-week faith study during Lent at the parish. We will be reading Jacque Philippe's "Searching For and Maintaining Peace". Cost: about \$10 for the book.

To register or for more information contact: [sarah@adamneilson.com](mailto:sarah@adamneilson.com)

## Office Hours

**Monday, Wednesday,  
Thursday and Friday  
9:00 am to 3:00 pm**

In important matters please call  
the rectory at 604-938-6643

## The Diocese of Kamloops

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## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES



### † EMC (Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion)

Saturday: **Arlene**

Sunday: **Edita**

### † Lectors

Sat, Apr 6<sup>th</sup>: **Jennifer  
Alex**

Sun, Apr 7<sup>th</sup>: **Jeanette**

### Coffee

Sun, Apr 7<sup>th</sup>: **Lynn**

## Catechism

*Hope everyone had a great  
Spring Break*

Catechism starts up again  
on Wed, Apr 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3:15

## Vocation live-in

**April 5-7, Mission BC**

For boys or young men thinking  
of priesthood or consecrated life  
The Seminary of Christ the King  
Call 604-826-8715.



## Retrouvaille Vancouver Spring Program, April 5-7 2019

Is Your Marriage in Crisis? –  
Repair your marriage,  
rediscover romance and gain the  
tools you need for healthy,  
loving communication!

## Welcome to Our Lady of the Mountains Catholic Church

We are a small Parish serving a very large visitor community. The majority of people you see in the church today are visitors from around the world. We rely on everyone's generosity to help us cover our daily operating costs. We want to sincerely thank you for being with us today and sharing in the life of the Holy Trinity in the celebration of the Eucharist. Thank you also for your generous donation.

### The 7 corporal works of mercy:

1. Feed the hungry.
2. Give drink to the thirsty.
3. Clothe the naked.
4. Shelter the homeless.
5. Visit the sick.
6. Visit the imprisoned.
7. Bury the dead.

### The 7 spiritual works of mercy:

1. Counsel the doubtful.
2. Instruct the ignorant.
3. Admonish sinners.
4. Comfort the afflicted.
5. Forgive others.
6. Bear wrongs patiently.
7. Pray for the living and the dead.

## 2019 Share Lent Week 4: March 31

There are currently 68.5 million people around the world who have been forced to flee their homes. Whether due to war, political unrest, persecution or environmental challenges, millions of families around the world have been uprooted or separated. It's hard for us to imagine being forced to leave behind everything – our families, communities, language and culture – knowing that we may never see them again.

The Lord promises that *“My people will live in peaceful dwelling places, in secure homes, in undisturbed places of rest”*

(Isaiah 32:18). Scripture makes it clear that the family unit, and the homes we dwell in, are integral to a well functioning society. When you Share the Journey this Lenten season, you stand in solidarity with those around the world seeking peaceful dwelling, security and a place to rest.

## Share Lent Collection – Solidarity Sunday – April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Dear Parishioners:

Following more than three decades of dedicated service, Mr. Gary Cooper will retire from his position as Diocesan Administrator effective July 15, 2019.

It is hard to describe the length and depth of Gary's involvement in every area of our diocese. Gary has served with three Bishops and a Diocesan Administrator.

We thank him for all he has given during his time with us. Our prayers and thoughts are with him. May God bless him in his retirement and give him the rewards of his service. His remarkable contribution to our Diocese will be remembered for many years to come.

Joseph Phuong Nguyen  
Bishop of Kamloops

## Calendar

- Apr 14<sup>th</sup> World Day of Youth**  
**Apr 14<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**  
**Apr 18<sup>th</sup> Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper**  
**Apr 19<sup>th</sup> Good Friday, Passion of the Lord**  
**Apr 20<sup>th</sup> Holy Saturday, The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night**  
**Apr 21<sup>st</sup> Easter Sunday, The Resurrection of the Lord**